



# NEW WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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## -MINUTES OF A MEETING-

NEW WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL – COMMUNITY HALL & PAVILION – NEW WALTHAM  
ON WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2022 AT 7.00PM.

Present:	<b>Cllr. Dinsdale Shaw (Chair)</b> <b>Anneka Ottewell-Barrett (Clerk &amp; RFO)</b>
	<b>Cllrs, Shaw, Breed, Simpson, Baker, Raper, Johnson, Poucher</b>
Apologies:	Cllrs. Steve Harness, Shreeve & Dawkins, Cllr Keys
In Attendance Cllrs/others:	PC Dave Cave, PCSO

**There were 2 members of the public present.**

<b>19/289</b>	<b><u>To receive apologies for non-attendance.</u></b>  As above – <b>accepted.</b>
<b>19/290</b>	<b><u>Declarations of Interest – Code of Conduct 2012</u></b>  Cllr Poucher declared interest with planning applications due to nature of his job.
<b>19/291</b>	<b><u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u></b>  Accepted as a true record – <b>Agreed</b>
<b>PUBLIC SESSION</b>	
<b>19/292</b>	<b><u>Police Report</u></b>  Welcome PC Dave Cave and PCSO Jenny McKee – allocated PCSO for hum and NW, recently joined Humb Police and has experience of dealing with ASB. Second PCSO also covering the ward, who previously attended a meeting.  PC Dave Cave advised crime is very similar, no lower, but no higher. Ward priorities are retail crime/shop theft. Looking at issuing CBO's, which are similar to ASBO, but this covers other areas, and this can only be done once court have sanctioned. Burglaries have increased – message to residents is to lock door and windows, close gates and keep barriers to your properties closed and secured, along with security lights.  A year ago, NW faced a lot of ASB and we are now at a 'normal' level, this really has decreased compared to where we were at last year.

	<p>Request to the Clerk and Council to put out a survey to residents to ask how they feel the policing team are in the village, any concerns they have re ASB compared to last year. This could be done via social media – wanting feedback from residents with how they feel the village is now a year on from the bad ASB we have previously had – <b>Council and Clerk to further discuss and plan.</b></p> <p>Message residents pls sign up to my community alert and report all crimes to 101.</p>
<b>19/293</b>	<p><b><u>Future Dates</u></b></p> <p><b>Parish Council</b> – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2022</p>
<b>19/294</b>	<p><b><u>Planning</u></b></p> <p>234 Station Road – Accepted.</p>
<b>19/295</b>	<p><b><u>Footpaths &amp; Highways</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Resident attended the meeting</b> – Damage to grass verges around the Co-op. Been in contact at NELC, who have been helpful. It was going to be down to the people who maintain to re-seed the verges. But this will not solve the problem, it will get trampled. Huge transport vehicles turn and manoeuvre down Charles Ave/Pretymans Cres. Its anytime, from 6am delivering for the Co-op. Tractor has also been spotted down Pretymans cres, turning around on the verges and nips into the Spar/Co-op. People believe they can park anywhere and go all over the verges. Answer could be to dig out the grass verges and tar mac the area to at least tidy the area up? Bollards down there, take them down? Council to write to Co-op and make the entrance wider – grass verges to be replaced.</li> <li><b>2. Meeting with Deb Swatman</b> arranged for tomorrow to get update.</li> </ol>
<b>19/296</b>	<p><b><u>Community Hall &amp; Pavilion:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Village Playground</b> Works planned to start on the 14th March – with Phase 1 of the project.</li> </ol>
<b>19/297</b>	<p><b><u>Parish Council Matters:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. BMX Track</b> Paul Deighton attending the meeting once again re this. No one locally is representing the area or using the track in the village properly. At present he drives his son to Doncaster to train as there isn't anything/a club in this area. Wanting to set up a club in New Waltham. Start gate is locked and unusable. Sent photos of the track to the guys (Clerk &amp; Kent), who built the track and they admitted that it is no longer fit for purpose, overgrown and is need of a re-surface.</li> </ol>

Councillors seem happy with the new lease of life the BMX could have, but what are GYPO going to do on this...GYPO want this as a feeder track, not for BMX racing. Chair spoke with person who currently maintains, who started it 10 years ago, it has to become a charity to be run. As he put a lot of time and effort into this, he doesn't seem to want to give it up. They do know it needs repairs and they want to repair it.

A young girl has been recently injured on this track and the signs that used to be there re 'liability' have been removed as they were vandalised. They seem to be struggling with finances for the area, which doesn't leave us with confidence re the amount of work that needs doing.

Both parties have been invited to the next Council meeting, both are to provide a work plan at the meeting.

**2. Village Festival**

Council have scheduled a separate meeting to further discuss this in more details. **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022 for the next meeting.**

**3. Staff Appraisals**

Clerk and Cllrs to discuss and arrange dates.

**4. NELC Community Carnival**

Discuss at the 11th April meeting.

**5. Caretakers Roles**

A new role is being considered for the deputy caretaker, to take on a role as caretaker for the village, not just the hall. To be brought up at staff appraisal and discussed with Caretaker.

**6. Co-op Local Community Fund**

Could be useful for any future projects but won't be available in time for playground.

**7. Deadly Bakes Request**

Deadly Bakes requested to once again start up the pop up's in the village and wanted to have stall @ pavilion again. Cllrs agreed, but depends when, Saturday afternoon or Sunday's best.

**8. Bleed Kit for village**

Decided that 3 to be purchased, Co-op contacted, and one is to be placed on their building. One to go with defibrillator at the pavilion. 2 to be ordered initially and a third wanting to go at the village hall. However, issues have arisen with contacting village hall and gaining consent.

**9. Village Hall Committee**

Council received letters from VHC.

We have had no response from them re the offer of assistance.

Cllr Harness gave Chair information to read aloud re this. Wanting to see if they voted to remove GB at the meeting. AGM was poorly conducted and lack of paperwork.

	VHC have advised that they no longer want any contact with the Parish Council.
<b>19/298</b>	<p><b><u>Reports</u></b></p> <p>Cllr G Baker – Government renews bus covid subs, traffic officers need to have info from bus companies re what their going to do. Warning that in papers they are going to be getting rid of number 12, 1 and 2 and 8 will stop from 9pm at night.</p>
<b>19/299</b>	<p><b><u>Finance</u></b></p> <p>1. Financial documents were distributed to the Council, including details of accounts.</p> <p><b>All agreed by all Cllrs.</b></p>
<b>19/300</b>	<p><b><u>Any Other Business (for information only)</u></b></p> <p>Letter to Lucas – from Peaks Lane thank you.</p> <p>Speed cameras – Chair to contact Wayne.</p>
<b>19/301</b>	<p><b><u>Exclusion of Press and Public</u></b></p> <p>To consider exemption of press and public under Public Bodies Admissions To Meetings Act 1960, Section 1 (2) on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information.</p>
<b>19/302</b>	<p><b><u>Payroll</u></b></p>
<p><b>Meeting suspended at: 21:00</b></p> <p>Signed..... Date.....</p>	